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## At Apple Festival

### Local Clog Dancers Win Once More

The North Carolina Sweethearts have returned here after they successfully defended their title as junior clog, champions at the North Carolina Apple Festival in Hendersonville Saturday night.

The square dance group won the junior clog division for the second year in row.

They have recently returned from an expense paid trip to Florida which they won. They are at the present time waiting on some announcement concerning a chance to appear on an national television show.

This group is composed of 16 dancers and one caller, Robert Bruce. They have been dancing together for three years. The ages of the children range from nine to 13 years old.

The dancing team was organized

as a result of a May Day play about three years ago. They were first taught by Mrs. Constance West, a school teacher. They are now under the direction of Mrs. Pete Stalcup.

Only three of the original group are still members of the Sweethearts. They are Karol Kaye, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kaye; Diane Wilkins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Wilkins; and Charlotte Stalcup, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Stalcup.

Other members of the group are Harold Teague, Charles White, Jerry Decker, Jane Brittain, Wayne Watson, Billy King, Wanda Sue McDonald, Larry McDonald, Sandra Chastain, John Bruce, Pamela Chastain, Calvin Lancy and Billy Stalcup.



NORTH CAROLINA SWEETHEARTS SQUARE DANCING GROUP

## Murphy To Get Big, New Bridge

A new bridge to cost about \$244,000 will be built next year across the Hiwassee River in Murphy.

The State Highway Commission announced that it expects to let the contract for the project in May, 1969.

State Sen. W. Frank Forsyth said he has received a telegram from Chairman Melvin Broughton that sufficient funds are being reserved for the bridge.

The new structure will be just to the south and at a slight angle to the present bridge, which will continue to be in use during construction.

The senator said that the Murphy bridge had been under consideration before, but that the Highway Department was discussing the possibility of a highway by-pass for the town. The bridge construction could not be determined until that was settled.

The planning Section of the Highway Department has reported that

no by-pass is necessary at this time.

"We need a new bridge here even if they did build a by-pass," Sen. Forsyth commented. "The present bridge is congested and extremely dangerous—not only for automobiles but for pedestrians."

A by-pass for Murphy will continue to be in the future planning of the Highway Department, he added. The Planning Section has found that traffic through the town is not yet congested enough to warrant that.

Concerning the project cost, Sen. Forsyth pointed out that the \$244,000 is strictly a preliminary estimate. Exact cost will be determined only after thorough surveys are completed.

## Scout's Football Contest To Run Eleven Big Weeks

Sharpen up your pencil, your wit, and your football knowledge.

The Scout's big Football Contest will be here just a week from now. Cash prizes and a lot of fun are in store for the sports lovers—and for those who can "out-guess" the experts.

Each week for the next 11, The Scout and local merchants will present 20 upcoming games in a full page advertisement. Contestants will send in their predictions of how the games will turn out.

Three persons will win cash every week. Top winner will receive \$5, second \$3, and third \$2.

This year for the first time, area high school games will be included in the contest. The remainder will be well-known college contests.

## Bike Winners Announced By Collins-Crain

Little Charles Rogers of Marble Route 1 may be only two years old, but he has got to learn to ride a bicycle. Because he has a brand new one.

Marilee Martin of Murphy Route 2 may not have expected one for her 11th birthday, but she has a new bicycle, too.

Both won their bicycles in the big Back to School Sale of Collins-Crain Department Store.

Manager Wally Williams reported that 8,000 to 10,000 persons registered for the bicycles.

Marilee was gleaming with happiness and pride when she came in to the store Tuesday to get her new bike. Who wouldn't? Her birthday was on Monday, and she didn't even expect such a nice gift.

Mr. Williams said, "We plan to make it an annual event of giving away two bikes at the beginning of every school season."

"We thank the people for taking such a big part in our Back to School Sale."

## Scoreboard To Be Installed

A new scoreboard for the high school football field is expected to arrive here sometime this week, according to Mrs. P. J. Henn, president of the Murphy Woman's Club.

The club recently sponsored a drive to raise additional money needed for the scoreboard. The total cost is estimated about \$1800.

It is hoped that the scoreboard will be installed for the Sylva-Murphy game Sept. 18.

## Holiday Closings Not Yet Complete

A complete schedule of holiday closings by Murphy merchants is being compiled by the Merchants Association and will be announced soon.

A number of "businesses have agreed to the closing days already and others are being invited to join. The Association will call a meeting to complete the schedule

Last week The Scout, through an inadvertent error published a list of cooperating merchants which was not complete. The full list will be reported when it is available.

## Murphy's Big Bulldogs Snarl; Get Set To Hit Sylva Friday

By JAY WILSON

The Murphy High Bulldogs stopped the Andrews Wildcats' winning streak at 15 in the Bulldogs' season opener at Andrews Friday night. The game was hard fought all the way and both teams played fine football.

The score was 7-6.

Murphy won the toss and elected to receive and took the ball to the 35 where it was first and ten. After an offside penalty against Murphy, Emanuel McDonald passed to Virgil Decker for the first down. Four first downs and four penalties later Hubert Myers intercepted a pass intended for Virgil Decker and was brought down on the Andrews 20-yard line. After an offside penalty Hubert Myers ran around left end for the 1st Andrews first down of the night, and Pete Nichols ran for the next first down around the end. On fourth down with three yards to go, Andrews punted and the ball was returned to the 33 by David Thompson. A 15-yard penalty against the Wildcats put the ball in the Murphy 48.

Murphy fumbled the ball and Andrews recovered on the Murphy 43. On the next play Hubert Hinton broke through the line to tackle Jim Bristol for an Andrews loss of four yards. Andrews fumbled and Murphy recovered on their own 43 yard line.

David Thompson ran 8 yards but the run was called back for offside and then Frank Hill drove 10 yards to the 49. On fourth down with four yards to go Bud Killian punted for Murphy. Andrews took the ball on their own 25 with four minutes to go in the first half.

Myers then ran 15 yards for the first and Murphy was penalized 15 yards. Immediately afterwards Andrews was penalized 15. Hinton brought down Bristol for a loss of five yards. Killian brought down Nichols in the line of scrimmage. Johnny Hartness and Frank Hill broke through to throw Andrews for a loss of three yards making it fourth down with 25 yards to go.

Andrews punted and Murphy took the ball on its own 30. A pass

## Filmstrip To Be Shown Sunday

A filmstrip, "The Challenge of State Missions," will be shown at the First Baptist Church Sunday, Sept. 13, at 7:15 p. m.

All members of the Training Union and church members are invited to attend.

Sermon topics will be, "Which Road Are You Traveling?" for the morning service, and "Reaching the Dead End" as the evening service

to Decker was good for 30 yards and Frank Hill plunged over the line for two more. A pass to David Thompson was incomplete and a short pass to Decker ended the first half. The score was 0-0.

Andrews' Nichols took the ball to the 40 on the kickoff and Decker and Killian held him to a one yard gain on the next play, Hubert Myers made the first down on a 9-yd. run around right end, David Thompson brought Don Marr down for no gain. On the next play Marr started to the left side and fumbled but picked the ball up and tried to run back to the right. R. G. Hembree brought him down for a 12-yd. loss and Andrews was penalized 15 yds. An attempted pass was incomplete and Myers punted on fourth down with 33 yards to go. The kick was blocked by Randolph Cunningham, and Murphy took over on the Andrews 35 yard line.

Frank Hill went 13 yards for the first down and then went again for four more yards. Then with the ends split wide Emanuel McDonald went 20 yards on a quarterback sneak for the touchdown. Halfback Frank Hill plunged over for the extra point.

Andrews took the kickoff on the 41 and Pete Nichols took it for a four yard gain. Hubert Hinton held Andrews for a 1-yard loss and Willard Smith held them to a two-yard gain. Myers went for five yards and a first down and a run and a pass gave the Wildcats another first. Four plays later Jim Bistol ran around right end for the Andrews touchdown. The extra try extra point was foiled by a fumble.

Murphy took the kickoff and went up to the 35 but was penalized five yards. McDonald went for 6 yards on a sneak, Hill went for 2, Emanuel made one more yard. On the fourth down with one yard to go Frank Hill carried the ball and the first down. Hill then went for 2 and 4 and David Thompson went for five more and penalty gave Murphy 15 yards.

Murphy was penalized for offside and Thompson went for nine (Murphy) yards. The Bulldogs were held for no gain and then lost seven yards. On fourth down Emanuel McDonald passed to Virgil Decker for 15 yards and the first down. Hill made 4 and 5 yards and with little gain on the third down (Murphy) had the ball fourth and 2' to go for the first. They didn't make the necessary yardage and Andrews took over on the 9-yard line.

On the first play the Wildcats lost one yard and then gained 8. A pass was incomplete and with four yards to go another incomplete pass gave the ball to Murphy on about the 17-yd line of Andrews with one minute to go. McDonald, taking no chances, held on to the ball and the game ended with a final score of Murphy 7, and Andrews 6.

## Coach McConnell Praises Willingness To Tackle Hard

Murphy High School has a hard-hitting bunch of Bulldogs. Coach Chuck McConnell thinks that "the willingness to get in there and tackle" was the brightest spot in their victory over Andrews.

"It was the best tackling I've seen in a long time," he told the team this week.

But the Bulldogs have a hard row to hoe before they can hang up a conference championship, he warned.

He isn't even talking about that now. He's concerned about Friday's game with Sylva. A team he rates right at the top in the conference. Murphy travels to Sylva.

The Bulldogs, who have worked hard all week in preparation, will be at top strength. No disabling injuries were reported from the Andrews game.

(See Jay Wilson's account of that game elsewhere on this page.)

"Sylva is about the most important game of the year—our biggest obstacle," coach McConnell told his boys this week. "That Sylva is good and tough."

He pointed out that Sylva tied Andrews last year. They walloped Hayesville 36-0 last week, with Miller scampering for three touchdowns, one an 80-yard punt return. Murphy's hard-fought victory over Andrews is a jewel for the Bulldogs collar, the coach acknowledges. After all, the Andrews Wildcats had not been beaten in 15 games. "I count Andrews as the toughest," declared Murphy's McConnell. "When you whip them, you've a hard night's work."

And don't count the Wildcats out of the conference race, he warns. They will be roaring to Murphy on the night of October 30, hungry for revenge.

The Murphy Bulldogs are going to be in there battling, too, though. "In the game against Andrews proved that we are capable of playing good football... and we can continue if we stay willing, and don't get too complacent," Mr. McConnell continued.

He couldn't single out any players as outstanding stars, "because all of them in there hittings."

What pleased him most was "our eagerness to play defense." He pointed out that an Andrews punt, blocked by Fullback Randolph Cunningham, set up the Murphy touchdown.

"More boys REALLY want to play football than before. More of them wanted to tackle and hit hard."

The Bulldogs didn't waste any

time getting a ready for their encounter with Sylva. They were in uniform and on the practice field Monday afternoon. This followed a brief "skull session" during which Coach McConnell stressed the necessity of being willing to "get in there and hit."

## Andrews Wildcats Primed For Robbinsville Game

The Andrews Wildcats, determined to begin another long winning streak, take on Robbinsville Friday night in a conference football game. The contest will begin at 8 p.m. on the Andrews field.

Coach Bill Hensley reports his team in top physical condition. No bad injuries were sustained in the Murphy game.

Murphy Coach Chuck McConnell says the Andrews team is one to watch in the battle for the conference crown. "They're the toughest," he declared this week after reveling the hair-breadth victory of his team over Andrews.

## Poultry, Beef Testing Unit Slated For Murphy

A state Poultry and Beef Diagnostic Laboratory will be built in Murphy as soon as a qualified veterinarian is found to operate it.

Sen. W. Frank Forsyth has announced that a first-year appropriation of \$2,826 is available for the service. The Cherokee County Commissioners have voted to finance the construction of the laboratory building. That would cost about \$2,500.

The laboratory here is one of several in the state authorized by the Legislature to combat disease in poultry and beef. The local facility is for the 33rd District, composed of Cherokee and four neighboring counties.

Sen. Forsyth said Murphy was selected as the site because this is a thriving poultry area and because the laboratory would attract testing business from Georgia and a wide surrounding area.

The laboratory is to be built on

## Ensley Cites Bulldogs, But They Got Breaks

If the Murphy Bulldogs can whip Sylva Friday night, they have a good chance of winning the conference championship.

That's the word from Andrews Coach Bill Ensley.

"Murphy has a good quarterback in Emanuel McDonald," he added.

But Coach Ensley feels that his Wildcats put in a good accounting of themselves in their one-point loss to Murphy. This was their first setback in 16 games.

"It could have gone either way, but Murphy got better breaks," said the coach.

The coach probably was thinking particularly of two factors in the hard-fought contest. One was the blocked kick which set up the Murphy touchdown that gave the Bulldogs the ball around Andrews' 35-yard line.

The other was that Wildcat fumble on the try for extra point. Without that, the score might have been tied.

Coach Ensley and his boys have turned their attention to more important things than post-mortems on the Murphy game, however. They're getting primed to meet Robbinsville Friday night.

## Lodge To Meet

Cherokee Lodge 146, AF and AM, will have a called meeting of first degree work Saturday night, Sept. 12.

## McKeever Lands On Canton Road

Attorney Hobart L. McKeever skillfully landed a light Cub airplane on a road near Canton Tuesday morning.

The wingtip of the plane was damaged when it struck a mail box stanchion. But Mr. McKeever was not hurt.

He was flying alone from the Andrews-Murphy field to Asheville when heavy mist hid the treacherous mountains on his route. Mr. McKeever had to set the plane down on the River Road in the Bethel section near Canton.

The Attorney was a Navy fighter pilot in World War II. He still flies in the Navy Reserve.

The Cub he was flying Tuesday swerved into a field after striking the mail box, but it was not extensively damaged. The plane was returned to Andrews by truck.

## Cherokee Fair Sept. 28 - Oct. 3 'Biggest, Best'

The 41st Cherokee County Fair will be held on September 28-October 3.

Plans are now for this to be the best and largest Fair ever held in Cherokee County.

A.G. Quinn is president of the Fair Association and the other officers are as follows: W. D. Townson, Vice-President; W. S. Dickey, Secretary & Treasurer; and the following are directors: Luther Dockery, W. T. Brown, Mrs. L. F. Lochaby, Glenn Patton, Wayne Holland, Tom C. Day, Mrs. H. B. McNabb and Mrs. S. J. Gernert.

The Superintendents of the various departments are as follows: Field Crops, Luther Dockery; Horticulture, Clyde McNabb, Dairy Cattle, A. B. Stalcup; Beef Cattle, Pearl Johnson; Sheep, Luke Ellis; Swine, Fred Martin; Poultry, Phil Sandidge; Flowers, Miss Emily Sword; Home Products, Mrs. J. V. Henson; Pantry Supplies, Mrs. Oran WMT; House Furnishings, Mrs. S. J. Gernert; Clothing, Mrs. E. J. Green; Arts and Crafts, Mrs. Luke Ellis; and Science Thomas C. Day.

There have been several changes in the catalog this year, especially in the poultry department. Anyone planning to exhibit at the Fair should check the catalog and do not bring items that are not listed.

Also there is a complete new department for Swine. Swine will be listed by breeds and not as bacon or fat types hog as previously.

There has been a class of barrow hogs from 180 lbs-220 lbs, added for this year.

Gold Medal Shows will be with us this year for the whole week of the Fair. This show is owned by Johnny Denton who has had his show in Murphy in previous years.

## Federation Says Warehouse To Operate

Many tobacco farmers have been inquiring if the Carolina Warehouse will be in operation this next season. O. J. Holler, President of the Farmers Federation, announces that the Federation will operate the Tobacco Warehouse during the burley tobacco auction sales during the 1959-60 season.

John Gardner who has been assistant manager of the Carolina Warehouse auction sale for many years has been promoted to manager of the Tobacco Division of the Federation. Ulysses R. Woody who has been assistant floor manager is being promoted to floor manager.

The Farmers Federation has operated the Carolina Warehouse for burley tobacco auction sales for several years, it is the oldest warehouse on the Asheville Tobacco Market.

The Cardinal Federation has had the highest average price for burley tobacco of any auction warehouse on the Asheville market over the years.

Joseph Higdon, General Manager of Farmers Federation, invites all burley tobacco growers to bring their tobacco to the Carolina Warehouse during the 1959-60 season, as they will give you prompt sales and obtain for you the highest prices on the market for your tobacco.

## CORRECTION

It was reported in the Scout last week that a Forest Service truck was wrecked after it swerved into a State Highway Dump truck to avoid hitting two children.

This was in error. The dump truck crashed into the Forest Service truck after swerving to miss the children. The Scout regrets this error.